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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PGOV, SHUM, CY

SUBJECT: GOC REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION ON AP REPORT

REF: (A) NICOSIA 366 (B) NICOSIA 355  
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1. YOU MAY INFORM CHRISTOPHIDES THAT THE DEPARTMENT IS UN-  
AWARE OF THE BASIS ON WHICH THE CULLEN AP STORY WAS WRITTEN.  
CERTAIN PORTIONS OF IT MISREPRESENT THE DEPARTMENT'S  
POSITION. IN PARTICULAR, ANY IMPLICATION THAT THE DEPART-  
MENT'S REPORT ON HUMAN RIGHTS IN TURKEY (OR CYPRUS) WAS

WRITTEN WITH THE INTENT OF PERSUADING THE CONGRESS TO LIFT THE CURRENT RESTRICTIONS ON ARMS SALES TO TURKEY IS INCORRECT. YOU MIGHT ALSO EXPRESS TO CHRISTOPHIDES OUR APPRECIATION FOR GOC EFFORTS TO ENSURE THAT STORIES ON CYPRUS HUMAN RIGHTS REPORT ARE PLAYED IN LOWEST POSSIBLE KEY, AND OUR HOPE THAT THIS CONTROVERSY CAN NOW BE LAID TO REST.

2. YOU MAY USE THE ABOVE, AS YOU SEE FIT TO BRIEF LOCAL MEDIA ON BACKGROUND BASIS.

3. IN OUR VIEW, THE USIS PRESS RELEASE BASED ON THE AMBASSADOR'S MEETING WITH PANCYPRIAN COMMITTEE IS A MOST HELPFUL DOCUMENT THAT SHOULD CERTAINLY HELP TO CLEAR THE AIR. IT SETS THE CYPRUS HUMAN RIGHTS REPORT IN PROPER PERSPECTIVE, EMPHASIZES OUR CONTINUING COMMITMENT TO A CYPRUS SETTLEMENT AND OUR DEEP INTEREST IN HUMANITARIAN PROGRESS, AND GENERALLY SEEKS TO DAMPEN THIS UNFORTUNATE CONTROVERSY. WE RECOMMEND THAT INFO ADDRESSES MAKE FULL USE OF THIS RELEASE IN ANSWERING POSSIBLE INQUIRIES ON THE SUBJECT FROM HOST GOVERNMENTS AND LOCAL MEDIA.

4. FOLLOWING CONVERSATION ON OTHER SUBJECTS FEBRUARY 8, GREEK AMBASSADOR ALEXANDRAKIS ASKED COUNSELOR NIMETZ FOR CLARIFICATION ON CULLEN AP STORY. NIMETZ RESPONDED THAT STORY WAS TOTALLY UNAUTHORIZED AND WITHOUT FOUNDATION  
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